

**UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS AMHERST
RULES COMMITTEE
AGENDA**

NOVEMBER 7, 2011

1. MINUTES

Minutes of the September 30, 2011 Rules Committee meeting submitted by Marilyn Billings.
Minutes of the October 24, 2011 Rules Committee meeting submitted by Ernest May.
Mari Castañeda is responsible for the minutes of this meeting. (If she is unable to attend, Amilcar Shabazz is responsible.)

2. FACULTY SENATE AGENDA ITEMS (For November 17, 2011)

- A. Address by Michael Malone, Vice Chancellor for Research and Engagement
“Research and Engagement Update”
(Questions and Discussion to follow)
- B. Approval of a new course by the Academic Matters Council
- C. Annual Report of the University Writing Committee, AY 2010-2011, as presented in Sen. Doc. No.
- D. Special Report of the Academic Matters Council concerning Changes to the Nutrition Major Tracks, as presented in Sen. Doc. No. with Motion No.
- E. Special Report of the Program and Budget Council concerning Differential Fees, as presented in Sen. Doc. No. with Motion No.
- F. Special Report of the Academic Matters Council concerning the 2012-2013 Academic Calendar, as presented in Sen. Doc. No. 10-027B with Motion No. 29-10.
- G. Special Report of the Academic Matters Council concerning the 2013-2014 Academic Calendar, as presented in Sen. Doc. No. 11-032A with Motion No. 32-11.

3. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- A. Program Revision: Master in Business Administration (MBA) with a Focus in Health Care Administration
- B. Berlin Declaration - ? Refer back to the Research Council for further study and recommendation. Should it be sent to additional Councils?
- C. Should UG TAs be allowed to grade in the class? (see email from Carol Barr)
- D. Plan B: Dinner with Andrew Zimbalist at the Green St. Café on 11/17 at 6:00 p.m.
- E. Rules Committee nominee for Chancellor? Paragraph of support?
- F. Article from the *Greenfield Recorder* dated October 29, 2011 – “UMass dollar daze”